

Illinois State University
Department of Mathematics
Mathematics Major

This major is designed to prepare students to work in business, government, and industry and in vocations that involve research or applications of mathematics in the physical and social sciences. It also builds a strong foundation for students who are interested in pursuing graduate study in pure mathematics.

Major Requirements (minimum 45 hours)

Required (mathematics courses with a grade of C or better):

MAT 145 Calculus I (4 hours)

MAT 146 Calculus II (4 hours)

MAT 147 Calculus III (4 hours)

MAT 175 Elementary Linear Algebra (4 hours)

MAT 236 Elementary Abstract Algebra (4 hours)

MAT 247 Elementary Real Analysis (3 hours)

MAT 260 Discrete Mathematics (4 hours)

MAT 350 Applied Probability Models (4 hours)

ENG 145 or ENG 249 or equivalent (does not count toward the 45 hours)

IT 165 or IT 168 (does not count toward the 45 hours)

At least one course chosen from:

MAT 336 Advanced Abstract Algebra (3 hours)

MAT 337 Advanced Linear Algebra (4 hours)

MAT 347 Advanced Real Analysis (4 hours)

From the following groups, select 3 or more courses, not all in the same group:

Algebra Group: MAT 330, MAT 336, MAT 337

Analysis Group: MAT 340, MAT 341, MAT 345, MAT 347

Discrete Group: MAT 361, MAT 362, MAT 363

Statistics Group: MAT 351, MAT 378

Research Group: MAT 268

Electives as needed from 200- or 300-level mathematics courses that are offered for major/minor credit that are not designed for the actuarial sequence or the teacher certification sequence.

Graduation Requirements: Complete a minimum of 120 hours; complete the General Education requirements; complete at least 42 senior level hours; complete residency and language requirements; complete a global studies course; maintain a GPA of 2.0 in Mathematics; maintain a GPA of 2.0 overall; and complete a senior portfolio. **For complete, official information, consult your catalog.**

Contact Dr. George Seelinger, Department chair, for more information.

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Sample Four-Year Plans

<u>Mathematics Major</u>	
Year 1	
Fall	Spring
ENG 101 or COM 110 MAT 145 Inner Core Natural Science or alternative	COM 110 or ENG 101 MAT 146 Inner Core Natural Science or alternative
Year 2	
Fall	Spring
MAT 147 MAT 260 ENG 145 or 249	MAT 175 IT 168 or 165
Year 3	
Fall	Spring
MAT 247 MAT 350	MAT 236 MAT Elective**
Year 4	
Fall	Spring
MAT	MAT

<u>Mathematics Major Pursuing Graduate Study in Mathematics</u>	
Year 1	
Fall	Spring
ENG 101 or COM 110 MAT 145 Inner Core Natural Science or alternative	COM 110 or ENG 101 MAT 146 Inner Core Natural Science or alternative
Year 2	
Fall	Spring
MAT 147 MAT 175 ENG 145 or 249	MAT 260 MAT 350 IT 168 or 165
Year 3	
Fall	Spring
MAT 247 MAT 340	MAT 236 MAT Elective**
Year 4	
Fall	Spring
MAT 337	MAT 336

Elective*	Elective* or **		
MAT		MAT	MAT 347
Elective**		Elective**	

*At least one course must be chosen from MAT 336 (Spring only), 337 (Fall only), 347 (Spring only).

****Electives** as needed from 200- or 300-level mathematics courses that are offered for major/minor credit that are not designed for the actuarial sequence or the teacher certification sequence, at least three of which are from at least two of the following groups: **Algebra Group:** MAT 330, MAT 336, MAT 337; **Analysis Group:** MAT 340, MAT 341, MAT 345, MAT 347; **Discrete Group:** MAT 361, MAT 362, MAT 363; **Statistics Group:** MAT 351, MAT 378; **Research Group:** MAT 268.

Students must satisfy a foreign language requirement that may be met by: 3 years of a single foreign language in high school or completion of the second semester or higher of college-level foreign language (LAN 112 or articulated course) with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent proficiency as determined by examination. American Sign Language may be used to fulfill this requirement by transfer credit or by proficiency. If needed, foreign language classes should be added to the above schedule.

Students are encouraged to begin collecting their senior portfolio materials at the end of their second year.

Students pursuing graduate study in mathematics are encouraged to take as many mathematics courses as their schedule allows.